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Our Case No. 9281-4276
Client Reference No. J US00144

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Tomokuni Wauke)
Serial No. To be Assigned)
Filing Date: Herewith)
For Thin and Lightweight Inner Rotor Motor)
and Disk Unit Using the Same)

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proposed amendments
1/1/02
3-20-02*

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please rewrite Claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) An inner rotor motor comprising:
a rotor having plural magnetic poles disposed in a circumferential

X shape; and

a stator including a stator core having plural magnetic pole teeth that are outside a circumference of the rotor and face the rotor, a coil being wound around each of the magnetic pole teeth,

wherein the magnetic pole teeth are set so that a value of at least one of angles each formed by extensions of adjacent magnetic pole teeth is smaller than an angle formed by lines each connecting a tip center of one of adjacent magnetic pole teeth and a rotation center of the rotor.

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